IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

- 10. (Canceled)
- (Currently Amended) The washing container according to claim 40 27, said cover
 part including three side parts connected to one another to form a substantially U-shaped
 cover part having an open end.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The washing container according to claim 11, said base frame part having an upstanding side part, said upstanding side part located in said Ushaped cover part open end completing said cover part.
- (Previously Presented) The washing container according to claim 12, said base frame part and said upstanding side part formed as a unitary assembly.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The washing container according to claim 13, said base frame part and said upstanding side part unitary assembly formed from a molded plastic material and said cover part formed from a corrosion-resistant material.
- 15. (Canceled)
- (Canceled)

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- 17. (Previously Presented) The washing container according to claim 12, said upstanding side part including additional retention functional elements, including at least one receptacle retention element for one of a rinsing or cleaning agent or a water softening device.
- (Currently Amended) The washing container according to claim 10 27, said base frame part including a filter floor part.
- (Currently Amended) The washing container according to claim 10 27, at least one of said side parts including a heat exchanger integrated therein.
- 20. (Canceled)
- (Currently Amended) The washing container according to claim 20 28, wherein
 said cover part is attached externally to said at least two upstanding corner stays of said
 base frame part.
- (Currently Amended) The washing container according to claim 20 28, wherein
 said cover part is attached internally to said at least two upstanding corner stays of said
 base frame part.
- (Canceled).
- 24. (Canceled)
- 25. (Canceled)
- 26. (Canceled)

- 27. (New) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising:
- a container body including a plurality of assembled parts;
- a base frame part; and

stays.

- at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side parts, said side parts connected to one another at an angle to form said cover part, wherein said cover part is formed substantially in the shape of a peripherally closed rectangle and said peripherally closed rectangle cover part is formed from two substantially L-shaped side parts.
- 28. (New) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising: a container body including a plurality of assembled parts; a base frame part, said base frame part having a floor part and at least two upstanding corner stays, wherein said base frame part includes an upstanding side part, said upstanding side part located in said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part completing said cover part, wherein said upstanding side part includes additional retention functional elements, including at least one receptacle retention element for one of a rinsing or cleaning agent or a water softening device; and at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side parts, said side parts connected to one another at an angle to form a substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part, said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part having an open end and a closed end opposite said open end, and said cover part being attached to said base frame part with its U-shaped periphery mounted on said floor part of said base frame part and said cover part being attached at a respective one of its open end and its closed end to said at least two upstanding corner